IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for canceling feedback in an acoustic system comprising a microphone, a signal path, a speaker, means for detecting presence of feedback between the speaker and the microphone, and <u>first feedback cancellation</u> filter means for compensating at least partly a possible feedback signal, the method comprising:

using a LMS algorithm for generating filter coefficients;

using a highpass filter to prevent low-frequency signals from entering the LMS algorithm;

using ~~an additional~~ <u>a second</u> feedback cancellation filter <u>means</u> and a noise generator for providing low-frequency input for the LMS algorithm.

2. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, where a ~~sign-swapping algorithm~~ <u>Schroeder noise generator</u> is used for generating a broad band noise signal having an amplitude substantially equal to the amplitude of the signal from which it was derived.

3. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 2<u>,</u> where a steep low pass filter is used to generate a low-frequency noise signal to be used as an additional input to the LMS algorithm.

4. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, where the LMS algorithm operates with a predetermined essentially level independent

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adaptation speed when feedback is not present, this representing a first mode

where the LMS algorithm operates at a level dependent adaptation speed when feedback is present, this representing a second mode;

where the means for detecting the presence of feedback is used to control the adaptation mode selection of the LMS algorithm; and

where the adaptation speed for the LMS algorithm is determined by a long-term average of a denominator in the LMS update algorithm in the second mode.

5. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 4, comprising a microphone, a signal path, a speaker, means for detecting presence of feedback between the speaker and the microphone, and filter means for at least partly compensating a possible feedback signal, the method comprising:

using a bandwidth detection means for determining the presence of a feedback signal.

6. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 5, where the stability of the signal determined as a feedback signal is analyzed.

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7. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 6, where the feedback analyzing comprises holding flag values from a number of succeeding time frames and comparing of these.

8. (Currently Amended) A hearing aid comprising:

a microphone;

a signal path;

a amplifier;

a speaker;

means for detecting feedback between the speaker and the microphone;

first feedback cancellation filter means for at least partly compensating a possible feedback signal;

memory means including a LMS algorithm for generating filter coefficients;

at least one highpass filter for preventing low-frequency signals from entering the LMS algorithm; and

an additional second feedback cancellation filter means and a noise generator for providing low-frequency input for the LMS algorithm.

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9.   (Original) A hearing aid according to claim 8, further comprising

steep low pass filters for generating a low-frequency noise signal to be

used as an additional input to the LMS algorithm.